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BRITAIN'S BOYCOTT RETALIATION TO SOVIET PERSECUTION



Mme. Helene Boucher, the 24-year-old French airwoman who recently set off from Le Bourget, Paris, in a small English machine to fly to Saigon, Indo-China. (S. & G.)

STEADY TONE PREVAILS ON WALL STREET

Silver Rules Active On Buying.

MANY INDICATIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

New York, To-day. Following the jump in stocks on Monday, the New York Stock Market ruled steady yesterday. Traders take this as an indication of better times ahead and consider a normal market to be preferable to further big advances. Silver was again active. Business improved to 1,430,000 shares.

In their daily report, Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company through their local agents, Messrs. Asia Lands, Ltd., state:

"The market acted in a normal fashion to-day. We believe that this is more encouraging than had we had a brisk advance. We expect another attempt in the near future to extend the rally."

"In the wheat market sentiment was bullish and heavy profit-taking was well absorbed. Cotton continued to rule strong on European and speculative buying."

"Silver was quite an active market on Commission House buying." Industrials and rails declined .96 and 29 to 61.15 and 26.17 while utilities and bonds advanced .11 and .88 to 21.22 and 74.86 respectively. — Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY.

Considerable Rise In Silver.

The local dollar has remained unchanged at 1/3 1/2.

Silver prices advanced considerably, both spot and forward, improving 9/16, being quoted this morning at 17 15/16, and 18, respectively.

Cross rate prices were this morning, £-G\$3.41%, and £-G\$3.41%, for the London on New York, and New York on London, rates, respectively, as compared with £-G\$3.41%, and £-G\$3.41%, yesterday.

ITALIAN PILOTS' RECORD.

British Congratulations.

London, To-day. The British Air Minister, Lord Londonderry, yesterday telegraphed to General Balbo, the Italian Air Minister, congratulations on the remarkable speed record flight of 437.5 miles per hour, achieved on Monday by Warrant Officer Arezzo at Lake Gardone. — British Wireless Service.

TRIAL OPENS TO-DAY IN MOSCOW

6. VICKERS EMPLOYEES' TRYING ORDEAL

BRITISH PRISONERS MENACED AND CONFUSED BY OGPU

AS THE FAMOUS CLOCK ON THE KREMLIN TOWER STRIKES 12 O'CLOCK, NOON, TO-DAY, SIX METROPOLITAN VICKERS ENGLISH EMPLOYEES WILL ENTER THE TRADES UNION HALL, A SPACIOUS ROOM DAUBED WITH BLUE. THE HALL WILL BE THRONGED WITH SILENT MULTITUDES, STRAINING TO HEAR THE IMPASSIVE RUSSIAN VOICE READ FOR FOUR OR FIVE HOURS, THE MASSIVE INDICTMENT WHICH MAY MEAN DEATH OR EXILE FOR THE SIX PRISONERS.

Within the packed court-room there will be a feeling of the implacable working of the soulless machinery of Soviet justice calling to account six Englishmen to decide whether the Metropolitan Vickers raid was a vast bungle or a Machiavellian coup.

It is thought that the Soviet is in no way anxious for the trial to be a cause célèbre. In some circles it is hoped that there will be no verdict that might put an irrevocable strain on the hitherto friendly Anglo-Soviet relations.

MR. STRANGE, BRITISH CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE EMBASSY WILL BE PRESENT IN COURT TO HEAR THE INDICTMENT, THE SUBSTANCE OF WHICH, THE SOVIET REFUSES TO REVEAL DESPITE WORLD-WIDE ANXIETY. — REUTER.

London, To-day. The trial begins to-day of the six British engineers of Metropolitan Vickers Company, Messrs. Alan Monkhouse, Nordwall, W. H. Macdonald, W. Thornton, J. Cushing, and C. Gregory, on charges of political and military espionage, wrecking activities and bribery.

Gravest public impression has been caused by the disclosure in the second White Paper on this subject, of the amazing methods which the Soviet officials have employed to extort the so-called confessions from some of the engineers.

Interrogations lasting 20 hours or more without intermission reduced some of them to a condition of complete mental apathy in which they were almost anxious to say or sign anything which would give them relief from the hall of questions.

A strong undercurrent of menaces during some of the examinations was alternated with promises of lucrative employment in return for satisfactory answers, and threats regarding the safety of herself and her relatives were made in the case of a Russian woman to induce her to recite espionage charges.

He pointed out that the Metropolitan Vickers Company and its employees were of the highest standing and reputation. The Company had had dealings with the Russian Government over a long period of years, and the Company had every inducement to continue on the most friendly terms with the Soviet Government.

There was owing to them at the end of last month no less than £1,500,000, and the Company had every reason to expect the continuance of their contracts. It was in these circumstances that the Russian Secret Police made the arrests.

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Company's Confidence In Mr. Monkhouse.

Chairman's Reply. London, To-day. Sir. Felix Pole, Chairman of Metropolitan Vickers Company, replying to "Technica," the heavy industries magazine, which yesterday brought charges against the Company itself, said that his confidence in Mr. Alan Monkhouse, the engineer in support of Mr. Monkhouse's repudiation of the charges in the article as "a gross misrepresentation of facts." — Reuter.



The annual Founder's Day ceremony commenced at Harrow School on March 9, with the usual "Roll Call," the boys attending wearing their customary shallow-crowned straw hats, peculiar to Harrow and worn all the year round. — Morning "Bill" (as the roll call is known) in progress. (S. & G.)

BRITAIN AND THE GOLD STANDARD

No Sudden Change In Policy.

CHANCELLOR'S ASSURANCE TO COMMONS

London, To-day. Asked for assurance to the House of Commons, yesterday, that before the Government were committed to any steps designed to secure the early return of Britain to the gold standard, opportunity would be given for discussion on the subject by the House, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, said that the House was well aware of the general policy of the Government on this question, and that the policy would not be changed without ample opportunity for discussion.

The Bill was introduced as a protest measure against the arrest of the six British employees of Metropolitan Vickers. — Reuter.

When moving the second reading of the Russian Goods Import Prohibition Bill in the House of Lords last night, Lord Hailsham, Secretary for War, related to the House, the story of the Moscow arrests which had led to the introduction of the Bill.

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IRISH RAIL STRIKE

Settlement Reached.

STRIKERS TO RESUME WORK IMMEDIATELY

Dublin, To-day. Following a conference between representatives of the strikers and Mr. Lemass, Minister of Industry and Commerce, a settlement of the Irish Railway strike declared at midnight on April 9, was announced at 8 a.m. to-day.

It is expected that a full railway service will commence operation immediately. — Reuter.

IMPERIAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

London, To-day. The Imperial Committee of Economic Co-operation said that final negotiations had been completed and signed their report which, later in the day, was submitted to the Ad hoc Committee of the respective governments. — British Wireless Service.

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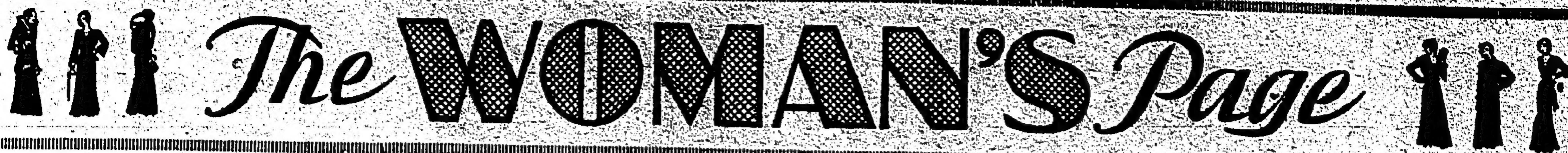
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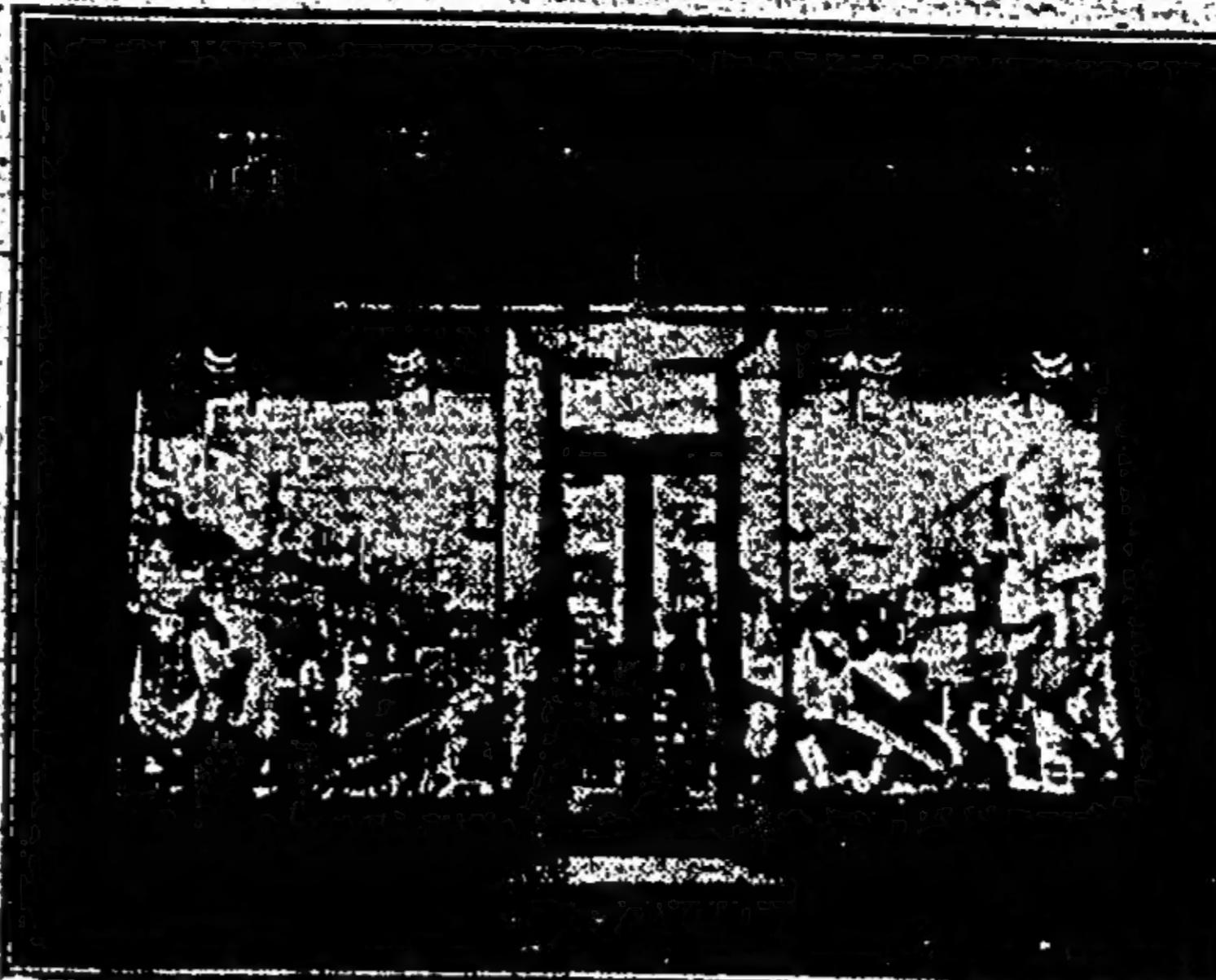


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Parisian designers have been



One of the displays in Sincere's special exhibition of Chinese Arts and Crafts now showing at the Roof Garden.

BABY'S SPOTS

Spots are numerous with some babies, whilst others keep free from them. Although many mothers think that baby spots do not matter, they often have a significant bearing upon a child's health.

Many spots appear owing to improper feeding. Consequently the stomach is overloaded and the blood becomes seething with impurities.

Apart from too frequent feeding, lack of fresh water will cause spots. Babies get thirsty and milk does not quench their thirst. Milk is their food and should always be regarded as such. Between meals they require a drink, and a little freshly boiled water is soothing, cleansing and harmless.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Breakfast.
Orange Juice
Cooked Wheat Cereal
Soft Cooked Eggs
Buttered Toast
Luncheon.
Toasted Cheese Sandwiches
Tea.
Apple Sauce
Dinner.
Stuffed Flank Steak
Baked Potatoes
Escalloped Onions
Biscuits Honey
Celery
Pineapple Upside Down Cake
Coffees

and boil for one minute; pour this over steak roll. Cover with lid and bake 1½ hours in moderate oven. Turn roll to allow even cooking. Remove from pan and cut off string.

Stuffing.
2 cups soft bread crumbs
2 tablespoons chopped salt pork
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon paprika
1 tablespoon chopped onion
½ teaspoon celery salt
1 egg
Lightly mix ingredients with a fork. Spread on the steak.
Pineapple Upside Down Pudding.
4 tablespoons butter
1 cup dark brown sugar
1 cup diced pineapple
1/3 cup fat
2/3 cup sugar
1 egg
½ cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1½ cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
Melt butter in deep frying pan. Sprinkle with sugar and add pineapple. Cream fat and sugar. Add rest of ingredients and beat two minutes. Pour over pineapple. Bake 30 minutes in moderately slow oven.

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DOOR	RAISE TINES
DEFER	MESA SPUR

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)		VERTICAL (Cont.)	
1-Military officer	51-Hurry	18-Ascended	51-Farm building
6-Declares	52-Barters	19-Makes lace	52-Clay eggs
12-Vault	54-One who foretells	20-An insect	54-City thoroughfares
17-Crowd together	55-Bone	21-Fretful	55-Scratched
18-Near	56-Boy's name (Short)	22-Supporters	56-A feather (Ornith.)
19-Girl's name	57-A liquid measure (abbr.)	23-Showers	57-Crimson
20-Repeated repetition of words	58-To wile around	24-Fretful	58-Three (Roman)
21-Used in negotiation	59-Beheld	25-Behold	59-Scratched
22-Feminine of tar	60-A ray of light	26-A rodent (pl.)	60-Cholcast
24-Pale	61-Breaks camp	27-Breaks camp	61-Permit to live
25-Snare	62-Aquiles	28-Aquiles	62-Guide
27-Appearing as if	63-Exist	29-Borrowed	63-Borrow
gravid	64-Poet	30-Search	64-Speeches
28-Poet	65-Penetrates	31-Search	65-Search
29-Penetrates	66-Golf term	32-A beverage	66-An alcohol
31-Golf term	67-Bone velvet	33-Confirms	67-Bone
32-A bone velvet	68-A heavenly body (pl.)	34-To dare	68-Begin
33-A heavenly body (pl.)	69-A brother	35-Began	69-Bang
35-Daughter of a brother	70-A sister (Bot.)	36-Before	70-Bang
37-Blind	71-Writing field	37-A before	71-Bang
38-Writing field	72-Ties	38-A thoroughfare	72-Bang
40-Ties	73-A tandem	39-A before	73-Bang
42-A tandem	74-A game	40-A thoroughfare	74-Bang
46-A game	75-A game of cards	41-A thoroughfare	75-Bang
47-A game of cards	76-A game of cards	42-Bang	76-Bang
48-Raised tines	77-A game of cards	43-Bang	77-Bang
49-Mesa	78-A game of cards	44-Bang	78-Bang
50-Spur	79-A game of cards	45-Bang	79-Bang
51-Ran	80-Starts suddenly	46-Bang	80-Bang

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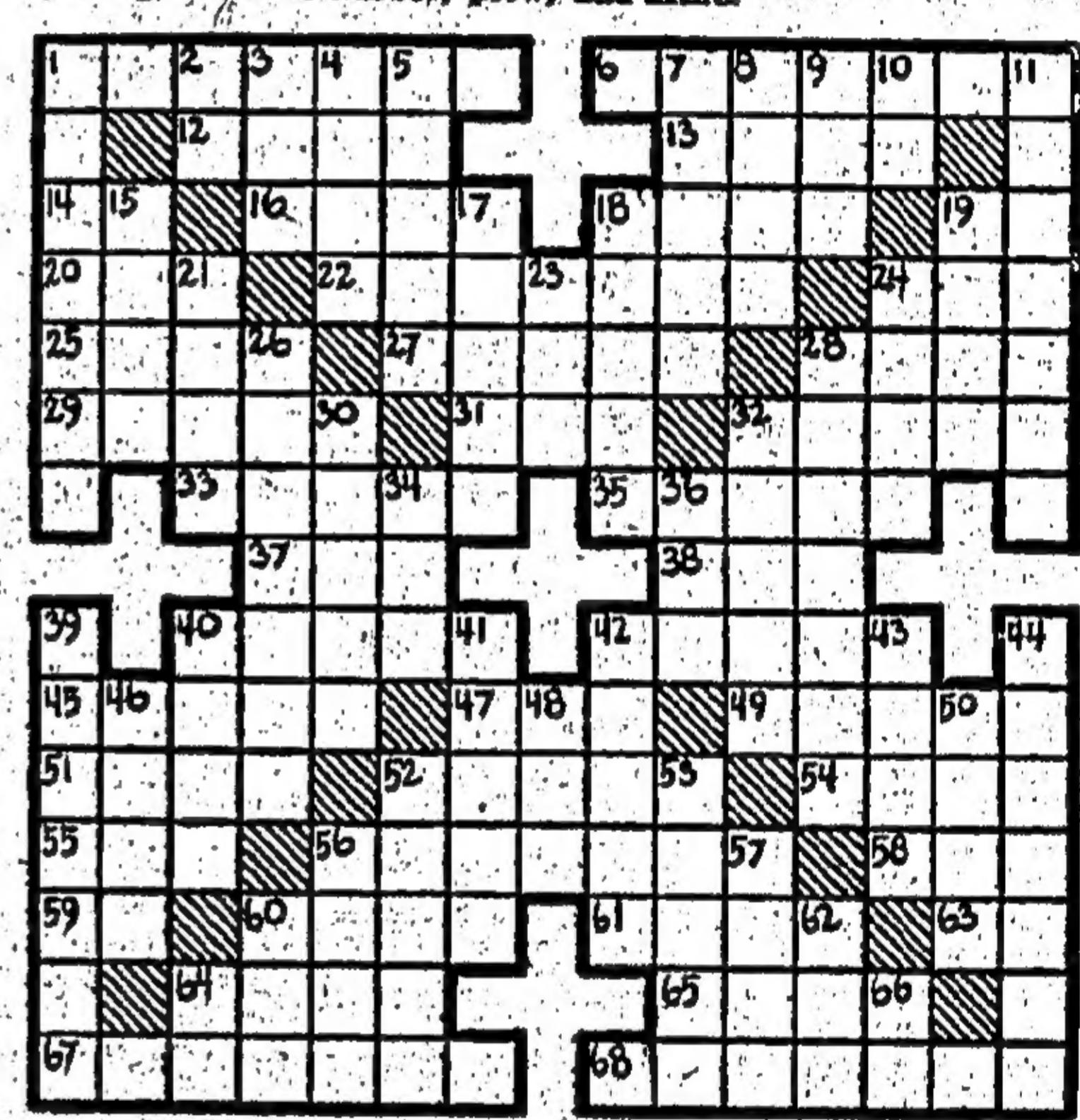
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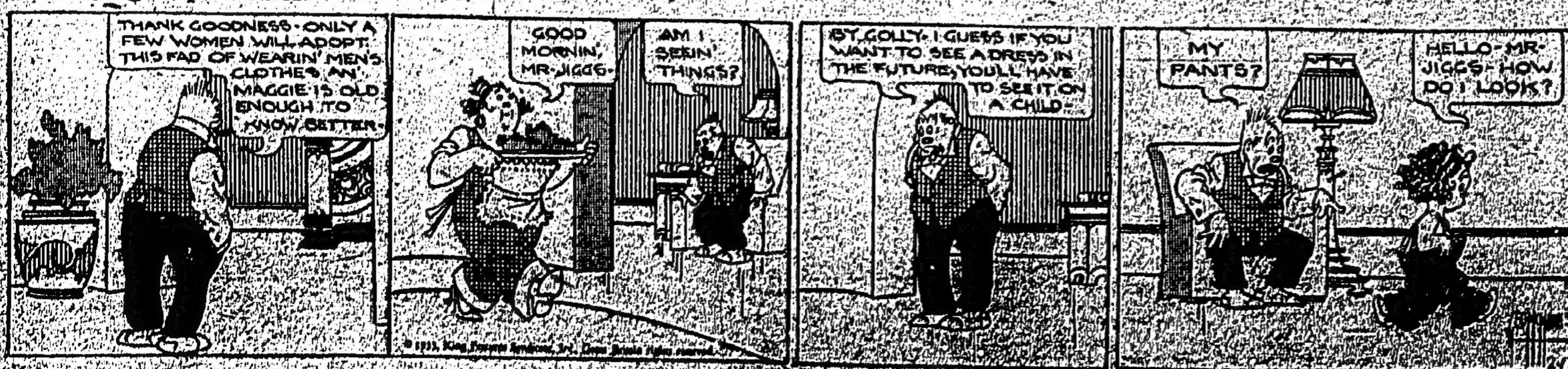
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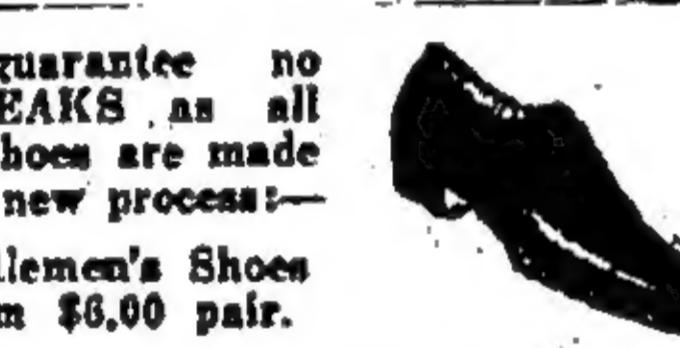
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Diamond—K, 6, 5, 3
Club—J, 3

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Heart—A, Q, 10, 6
Diamond—A, Q, J, 4
Club—A, Q, 10, 9, 6

South:

Spade—10, 8, 4, 3
Heart—K, 7, 3, 2
Diamond—9, 8
Club—7, 4, 2

As South can certainly not risk

a bid over East's Three

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one trick less to go game:

Four Hearts would definitely shut out

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crease the contract as West may

have an absolute Yarborough. Al-

though in fact the small, slam can

be made.

The play of the hand is interest-

ing, too. Presumably North opens

with the King of Spades ruffed by

East and West now sees that the

Club finesse must be taken first to

establish the suit so as to get dis-

cards of losing Spades after

the bidding is over.

North's original Three Spades is

hardly justified. One Spade would

be more orthodox and if he so bids

East's best overbid here is Two

Spades, another conventional for-

bidding bid commanding West to keep

the bidding open to game (an Infor-

matory Double might be made but this does not necessarily re-

quire the bidding to be kept open

to game, which, in this case, is

essential). South again can hardly

speak and West shows Hearts

as before and East raises to game.

The "natural" or "direct" bidders

might favour an original Two

Spade by North. If so, again

East's overbid is Three Spades, re-

bidding the opponents' suit and

West mentions Hearts or Diamonds

as before.

A very interesting hand from all

points of view and one well worth

studying.

BRIDGE NOTES

CONVENTIONAL FORCING BIDS.

By FRANK ENGLAND.

It is rare that in actual play one trumps are drawn. A small comes across a hand that has points of interest both in its bidding and its play. Recently I received such a hand from a woman correspondent at Guildford. Here is the problem as presented to me: Score love all; both sides vulnerable. North deals and bids Three Spades. East holds:

Spade—None.
Heart—A, Q, 10, 6.
Diamond—A, Q, J, 4.
Club—A, Q, 10, 9, 6.

What should he do?

This hand is very strong, and it is odds on there being a game in one of its three suits. The "anti-systemites" who rely on "natural" bidding are in a difficulty here about which suit to bid: indeed, it is a pure gamble.

Four Hearts might be right, or Four Diamonds, or Four Clubs, and in the cases of Diamonds and Clubs West might not support to game, thinking East's overbid more or less of a forced call. Again Five Diamonds or Five Clubs by East is a pure gamble, about which suit West can support.

The system bidder has the very

bid for this hand at command—

namely, Three No Trumps, which

made over an original Three bid,

is under the Approach Forcing

System a conventional forcing bid,

compelling partner to show his

best suit.

Assuming, therefore, a Three

No Trump bid by East, it is interest-

ing to see what response West can make and how the play

would go. Here are the four

hands:

North:

Spade—A, K, Q, J, 9, 5

Heart—J

Diamond—10, 7, 2

Club—K, 8, 5

West:

Spade—7, 6, 2

Heart—9, 8, 5, 4

Diamond—K, 6, 5, 3

Club—J, 3

East:

Spade—None.

Heart—A, Q, 10, 6

Diamond—A, Q, J, 4

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TO-DAY'S BRIDGE TIP

North:

Club—A, 10, 8, 2

West:

Club—K, 4, 3

South is playing No Trumps and leads Jack of Clubs. What card should West play?

ANSWER

The King in order to make

good, if possible, Q, 9 in East's

hand.

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Jerusalem. A trail of desolation was left by Nebuchadnezzar's soldiers 2,500 years ago—and to-day the Holy Land is still scarred and barren as a result of their ravages.

The story of the tragic transformation of a land that was "once flowing with milk and honey" is told in the latest report from British excavators at Tell Duweir in South Palestine.

"Visitors to the Holy Land," it states, "are usually impressed with the barrenness of the country, and recall with incredulity of the Old Testament statements of its being a land flowing with milk and honey. 'Here at Tell Duweir, some 25 miles south of Jerusalem, the expedition is camping in the midst of desolation, and yet it is evident that once upon a time the city they are excavating was surrounded by fertile valleys and hills covered with oak, olive or fig trees, or else terraced with vineyards.'

"All these bountiful gifts of Nature were uprooted and destroyed by war—they constituted the very fuel which Nebuchadnezzar's soldiers (in B.C. 586) piled up against the city's walls and fired in order to break down its defences."—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fresh east winds and cloudy skies are forecasted by the Royal Observatory in the weather report issued this morning.

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G.O.C.'s Inspection Of Volunteers

Annual Review At Murray Parade Ground

APPEAL FOR MORE RECRUITS

"Ever since the War the fighting forces of the Empire have been reduced again and again, and as the professionals are reduced, by so much more is reliance on the territorial and volunteers increased," said Major-General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., G.O.C. China Command, addressing the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps after he had inspected the Corps, yesterday evening.

The Annual Inspection by the G.O.C. took place at 6 p.m.

The Corps fell in at the Volunteer Headquarters and led by the pipers of the Scottish Company under the command of Pipe-major Mackie, and the band of the South Wales Borderers, marched to the Murray Parade Ground.

The strength of the Corps on parade was 27 officers and 360 other ranks, and formed up in five companies (excluding the Mobile Column, consisting of the Armoured Car Company and Motor Machine Gun Section) which had already formed up under the command of Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E.

The Corps arrived on the parade ground in the following order:—

Armoured Car Section, commanded by Lt. J. F. Wright.

Motor Machine Gun Section, under the command of Lt. H. G. Williams.

No. 5 Company (Portuguese Company), under the command of Capt. S. Jarvis, M.C.

No. 4 Company (Anzac Company), commanded by Lt. C. De S. Robertson, M.M.

No. 3 Company (Scottish Company), commanded by Captain H. R. Forsyth.

No. 2 Company (Machine Gun Company), under the command of Capt. H. Owen Hughes.

No. 1 Company (composite), consisting of Battery, Machine Gun Troop, Engineer Company, and Corps Signals, under the command of Capt. M. A. Johnson, M.M.

The Colour Party consisted of Lt. D. M. Richards and Lt. V. C. Branson, M.C.

G. O. C.'s Arrival

The parade drew up in a double column facing the saluting base, with the exception of the mobile column which faced St. John's Cathedral.

On the arrival of Major-General Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., G.O.C. China Command, accompanied by his staff consisting of Col. F. P. Nowshworthy, D.S.O., M.C., G.S.O. 1, Col. R. B. Cousins, D.S.O., A. A. & Q.M.G., and Capt. F. R. L. Mears of the King's Own Regiment, A.D.C. to His Excellency Major-General Borrett, he was met by Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Officer Commanding the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, who escorted him on his inspection of the Corps.

After the inspection the Corps formed up in companies, and marched past the Saluting Base in the following order:

1st. Company—Battery, Machine Gun Troop, Engineer Company, and Corps Signals.

2nd. Company—Machine Gun Company.

3rd. Company—Scottish Company.

No. 4. Company—Anzac Company.

No. 5. Company—Portuguese Company.

Armoured Car Company.

Motor Machine Gun Section.

During the march past the band played the march of the H.K.V.D.C., "The Leather Bottle."

After the march past, the parade formed up in a hollow square, and Major General Borrett addressed the Corps as follows:

"This is the first occasion on which I have had the honour of inspecting you and I must congratulate you on your appearance and movements.

It is always a pleasure as well as an honour to be connected even in a small way with a patriotic body of men like yourselves, who are willing to give up a great deal of time to fit yourselves for what is the most important duty of any man—defence of his country.

Important Part In Defence.

"As you all know, ever since the War the fighting forces of the Empire have been reduced again and again, and as the professionals are reduced, by so much more is reliance on the territorial and volunteers increased. The part the Defence Corps has to play in the protection of this Colony is one of great importance and is one that cannot be played by a man who only joins up at the moment of crisis.

"It takes a considerable time to get a working knowledge of machine guns, or to become proficient in working search-lights, and in performing many other duties you are undertaking. Although on the face of it there appear to be too many units and sub-units already in the Corps, yet there are other duties I should ask you to undertake if only you could enlist the available man-power which exists in the Colony, such as taking over part of the anti-aircraft defence, guns and lights."

Appeal to Join Up.

"Because the Empire is supposed to have its face set steadily towards Peace, that does not make armed forces a luxury. The idea was exploded long ago in the motorized world. However good a driver a man may be he always insures himself against the other man. Even if we have good drivers at the back of Headquarters,

DETECTIVES SWIM UP DRAIN.

Surprise Raid On Illicit Brewery.

Burban.

To arrest natives suspected of brewing shrimpyane, a highly intoxicating drink, a European detective and a native assistant donned bathing costumes and, entering the bay, swam underground up to the Milne drain for about 200 yards. At a given signal they sprang over the fencing some distance from where the drain ceased to be covered, and arrested three natives whom they had seen boiling the contents of two tins over a fire.

The natives, who had scouts posted everywhere but in the drain, got the shock of their lives when they saw two burly men come out of the muddy water—the native in a vivid green costume—they fled with cries of terror, with the detective in pursuit.—Reuter.

News In Brief.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Henry Valtorta has returned to the Colony from an extensive visit to his missionary districts on the East River (Kwangtung).

Mr. G. B. Gifford-Hull, Resident Engineer of the Shing-Mun Valley Scheme, reports the loss of a Malacca cane with an ornamental head, valued \$10, which he left in a taxi.

Thirty-four recruits for the Shantung contingent of the Hong Kong Police Force took the oath this morning at the Central Magistracy before Mr. Wynne-Jones.

A memorial service to the late Sir Claud Severn, whose death was announced yesterday will be held in St. John's Cathedral to-day, commencing at 5.15 p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, will be amongst those present.

In connexion with the Easter holidays, extra trains will be running between Canton and Kowloon as follows—Friday, April 14, leave Kowloon 7.28 a.m., arrive Canton 10.45; Monday, April 17, leave Canton 8.30 p.m.; arrive Kowloon 6.39 p.m.

The Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, returned to the Colony yesterday morning on the s.s. Van Heutz, from Singapore, where he had been attending a meeting of the Far Eastern Health Bureau of the League of Nations.

There will be a reception by the Directors and other officials of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, Ltd., on the occasion of the opening of their new premises, at the corner of Des Voeux Road Central and Ice House Street, on Tuesday, April 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A treat for music lovers is promised on Good Friday, when Stainer's "Crucifixion" will be rendered in the Union Church at Kennedy Road. Mr. G. E. Longyear will be at the organ, the soloists being Mr. H. E. Gardner and Mr. W. H. Bailey. The rendering will commence at 9.15 p.m.

The Report of the Committee appointed to consider the proposed changes in the Estimates of the Sanitary Department and the proposed Public Works Extraordinary for the Sanitary Department for 1934, was adopted unanimously by the Sanitary Board at its fortnightly meeting yesterday. Mr. T. McGeary (President) was in the chair, and the others present were the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson (Vice-President), Dr. G. W. Pope, M. O. H., Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Dr. Li Shufan, Mr. C. J. Rose, secretary, and Mr. Ng Mui-kai, assistant secretary.

head of the Empire they cannot prevent the other man running into us, and I therefore appeal to you all to do your best to get the potential man-power in the Colony to join up.

"I have it on good authority that at the moment there are over 1,000 available men in the Colony who are not taking any part in its protection. Untrained, they will be unfit to go into your ranks in a crisis and can only be utilized in labour Corps. Trained, they can make Hong Kong still more impregnable than it is at present. I ask every one of you to give this their earnest consideration and to come forward and undertake this essential duty and I trust that the young Government officials will lead the way."

At the conclusion of his speech Major-General Borrett took his departure, and the Corps marched off.

PREVENTING ART FORGERIES.

Apparatus Determines Elements.

ELECTROLYTIC METHOD.

Princeton, New Jersey. Professor Caley of Princeton University has claimed discovery of a method to detect forgeries of ancient art objects.

The process, he says, can be applied both to the exposing of modern forgeries of antique art and to the solving of archeological problems.

By the new method Professor Caley determines the period of manufacture of the object by analyzing the elements used as major compounds and by studying the proportion of minor impurities contained in it. These, he decides, act as indices of the date of production.

He points out that the examination already made of an Egyptian needle dating from 2,500 B.C. showed that the approximate limits of the copper, bronze and iron ages in certain localities can be determined by the chemical examination of specimens discovered in those regions.

The first stage in the work is the restoration of ancient metals by the electrolytic method. This process removes all corrosion and frequently proves helpful itself in dating historical events.—Reuter.

STOCKHOLM'S STATE THEATRES.

Proposed Reforms.

Stockholm. The Cabinet has sketched out a series of reforms for the two State theatres in Stockholm. The Church Minister proposes that the Royal Dramatic Theatre, which is State-owned, should collaborate with the privately-owned provincial theatres, and that it should send companies of actors to tour in the country with recently performed plays. The performances at the State-owned Opera House will now be broadcast.

Meanwhile a Royal Committee has been appointed to inquire into the financial position of the two theatres.

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, April 12, 1933.

American Banks.

The weakness of the banking system in the United States was apparent before the crisis occurred last month. The need for drastic reform has now been made more obvious, and the emergency methods applied at the outset of the crisis will be followed by wider and more permanent legislation. The "freezing of deposits" was only a temporary measure, as restrictions on withdrawals, while necessary to save threatened institutions from immediate collapse, can clearly do nothing to restore public confidence in the banking system. It is equally clear that they can do nothing to revive trade. The curtailment in many States of ordinary banking facilities, and the threatened curtailment in others, had the inevitable effect of reducing the volume of business, which in its turn only made worse the position of the banks. There was a tendency in many quarters to find the immediate cause of this new crisis in the publicity given to the proceedings of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, which was founded fourteen months ago to protect the banks, insurance companies, railways, and other corporations in difficulties by the use of Government credit. The amount of the advances that this Corporation has felt called upon to make has exceeded all expectation. An official summary of its operations issued last month showed that up to the end of January it had authorized loans totalling over \$2,000,000,000. Naturally, as Mr. Hoover predicted when the practice of publishing details was introduced last summer, every institution known to have received an advance at once came under suspicion. There are some who maintain that the whole policy of using Government credit to prop up private companies, however important, which were too weak to survive the crisis by their own unaided strength, was in the long view a profound mistake, and that, painful as the dislocation would have been, the economic system would ultimately have been strengthened if they had been allowed to go into liquidation. That heroic policy—or, as some would prefer to call it, that policy of despair—was not adopted, and it is now clearly impracticable to go back to it. Palliatives have to be found to tide the country over the crisis until remedies have been found for the underlying causes. The trouble is that most of the palliatives hitherto adopted were a debtor not a creditor to unravel.

plied, while relieving the symptoms for the time being, have weakened the patient and increased the danger of the disease from which he is suffering. That there are grave weaknesses in the American banking system has long been recognized in the United States. But these weaknesses cannot be held entirely responsible for the banking crisis, although they have certainly intensified it. Something of the kind was bound to follow the unparalleled and unjustified boom which finally broke in the autumn of 1929. When the uneasy situation in Europe led to a restriction and ultimately to a cessation of foreign lending by the United States, the immense stock of gold and gold credits found an outlet in speculation on the Stock Exchange and in real estate. Prices of shares and of land were pushed up to heights out of all relation to any return which could be expected from them. They were bought, not to hold, but to effect a profit by a quick resale at a still higher price, and the whole structure collapsed when prices could be pushed up no higher. American banks lent money freely, and in many cases themselves embarked upon highly speculative operations. Every one was encouraged to speculate on "margin." As was inevitable in the panic conditions which ensued, the prices fell as far below the normal level as they had been pushed above it. The real wealth of the holders, of course, was not affected. They were still in possession of the same shares in the same businesses and of the same plots of land. But, reckoned in money, men who had felt themselves rich suddenly found themselves poor. All classes throughout the country had joined in the boom, and all were sufferers when it collapsed. They naturally and of necessity began to curtail their expenditure, and there followed a restriction of trade activities, which have now almost reached stagnation point, creating unemployment on a catastrophic scale. In these conditions what would normally be sound assets have become un-realizable or realizable only at an immense sacrifice. Even in its most favourable circumstances the collapse of a boom like that which came to an end in 1929 would have put a severe strain on any banking system, especially on one of the American type. It came, moreover, at a time when the whole economic position was gravely strained. Both the agricultural and the manufacturing industries, on whose prosperity the far off as ever, and the banking

goods, the shipping policy, largely blocked payment in services; and the purchasing countries had been denuded of their stocks of gold, of which an excessive proportion had been drawn into the vaults of the New York banks. So far as foreign customers were able to continue buying from America it was by the loans which they were able to float in the United States. When these loans ceased, and the credits on which they were based were used to finance the orgy of speculation on the Stock Exchange, the export trade both in manufactured goods and in agricultural produce was immediately affected, and that in turn created grave difficulties for many industries and intensified the impoverishment of the farming population, on whose prosperity depends ultimately that of the whole country and of the whole world. The great hardships from the fall in the prices of their staple products. The collapse of the Stock Exchange came when the economic system was least able to withstand its effects. The recovery so confidently predicted in the early days still seems as far off as ever, and the banking

HERE, THERE and EVERWHERE

The Road to Promotion

Sir Patrick Duff, who succeeds Sir Lionel Earle as Permanent Secretary of the Office of Works, is a Balliol man and a former official of the Board of Trade. He has been at 10, Downing-street for nearly a decade as Principal Private Secretary to the Prime Minister.

The duties of a Principal Private Secretary are onerous. He has, it is true, a string of assistants, each a specialist in his own subject, but the hours are long and the responsibility is considerable.

For the men who make a success of this task the rewards, however, are great. Sir Robert Vansittart was promoted from Downing Street to be Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs over the heads of half a dozen of his seniors. Now, at the age of forty-three, Sir Patrick has been given one of the plums of the Civil Service.

Your Daily Smile.

THE DIFFERENCE.
YOUNG WIFE (at dance): You are improving wonderfully as a dancer. Don't you remember how you used to tear my dresses?

YOUNG HUSBAND: Yes, I wasn't buying them then.

AND SECONDS!

Mrs. Henpeck was going away for the first time in her married life.

MRS. HENPECK: Do you know what time my train goes to-morrow?

HUSBAND: Yes, dear, from now it is 19 hours and 37 minutes.

QU E A PROBLEM

"Do you think it's possible to love two women at the same time?" "Not if they know about it."

JUST NATURAL.

"I have been married five years to my husband and I like each other as well as on our wedding day."

"But you quarrelled yesterday." "So did we on our wedding day."

Facts You Did Not Know.

Americans have established a bottle factory in Venezuela and are planning to manufacture window glass and other glassware.

Formed to fit a standard kitchen sink, a new dishpan can be used for roasting meats or to bake four loaves of bread at once.

Periscopes have been specially designed to give drivers of high motor trucks views of the roads behind them.

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ROOSEVELT REVIEWS DEBT PROBLEM

NOT SUITABLE TIME FOR LENIENCY

BRITAIN'S REASONS FOR REMISSION

(By Viscount Snowden.)

With the forthcoming visits of Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany and Japan, to Washington, the war debt problem again becomes the question of the day. Many await with interest for the proposals which will be put forward by President Franklin D. Roosevelt after Easter.

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According to present arrangements the conversations between Great Britain and America on the debts question are to begin at once.

The ground has been prepared by informal talks. The British Cabinet has surveyed the position, and it may be assumed that it has prepared its proposals.

The situation has changed materially since the exchange of Notes between the two Governments last December. The case for revision as then put forward by the British Government now requires a different emphasis.

No appeal will carry any weight with Americans which does not convince them that it will be to their advantage to make a revision of the debt agreement.

And they will not be so convinced unless they get some obvious compensation for the sacrifice of \$50,000,000 a year due to them from their European debtors.

But there it is. Both the ex-President and the new President, Congress, and the American citizen are agreed upon this.

This claim that American goods must have freer entry into the markets of the world does not necessarily mean the lowering of foreign tariffs, though there has been considerable annoyance in the United States at the disadvantage at which American products are placed by the preferential rates given to Canadian and Dominion imports into Great Britain under the Ottawa Agreements.

This matter will probably be raised as one of the items in the catalogue of compensations.

A more important item than the tariffs in the programme of compensations for a revision of the debt will be the currency and exchange questions.

This problem is arousing tremendous interest in the United States, and their difficulties are being attributed in a large measure to the effect of the depreciated currencies of so many countries.

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31 FATAL CASES OF SMALL-POX.

36 Cases During Last Week.

36 cases of small-pox occurred in the Colony during the week ended on April 8. Eighteen occurred in Victoria, seventeen in Kowloon, and one in Shaukiwan. The total number of deaths from this disease was 31.

Three cases of enteric fever occurred resulting in two deaths, and six cases of cerebro-spinal fever resulting in three deaths.

The total number of deaths from tuberculosis during the week was 69.

On Monday four cases of small-pox occurred in Hong Kong and in Kowloon, making a total of eight cases of notifiable diseases in the Colony.

LONDON MAIL HERE IN 13 DAYS.

Air Mail Record.

A new record for the transit time of air mail between London and Hong Kong was established yesterday, when the M.M. Liner Chononseaux brought in a batch of letters despatched from London on March 29 at 7.15 a.m. and received

that will be a difficult job. We have yesterday at 10.30 a.m. made up our minds now that no longer a remission or reduction of the debt will be conceded unless America gets something useful in return.

Senator Borah recently put the vice on August 1, 1932, the amount of mail from Hong Kong home unless something most valuable was despatched.

Nation In Search Of Small Change

How U.S.A. Money Crisis Affected The People

CINEMAS ACCEPTED I.O.U'S

New York, Mar. 7. Small change has come into its own here.

The banking moratorium has caused the nickel (2½d. at par), and the dime (5d.) and the quarter (1s. 9½d.) to become as important, if not more important, than the once almighty dollar in the minor monetary transactions of everyday life.

Everybody needs small change for tram and underground fares, newspapers, and so on. Broadway newspaper boys are boasting their journals by shouting. "Read about the panic: you get change up to a quarter!"

So far the American man-in-the-street is taking the situation in the utmost good humour, not showing any real anxiety. Women on the other hand are less comfortable about the situation, and the same applies to foreign-born immigrants.

The foreigners, many of whom are illiterate, operate on the simple psychology that their money is the same, and in some instances in a bank. Hence, if the banks accepting I.O.U.'s. Money orders are closed their money must be in danger. Thus it has happened that the only gatherings of any size about any bank that has closed were seen in the vicinity of two banks that numbered many foreigners among their customers.

Police pointed out to them that all the other banks were closed as well and managed to disperse them without difficulty, but also without inspiring them with much confidence.

The Baby Trick

An amusing incident was seen at one such institution. When the takers, first linking reached some foreign quarters a fair crowd gathered at with rolls of notes of 10 and 20d. to go to all the churches and offer the notes in exchange for the collection, hoping to get in a supply of small change.

BESA CONVICTION QUASHED

First Sitting Of New Appeal Court.

Joseph Evangelist Besa, who was sentenced to six months imprisonment on March 22, on a charge of obtaining \$50 by false pretences from Kewalram Nelhray, of the Eastern Bazaar, was this morning discharged after his appeal had been heard by the full Court, consisting of His Honour the Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood, the Puisne Judge, Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Mr. P. Jacks.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney-General prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, and the prisoner was defended by Mr. D. McNeil, instructed by Mr. D. B. Evans, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master. Their Lordships were of the opinion that since in the trial on March 22, crown witnesses, when dealing with an offence committed on Nov. 12 had stated in evidence that it had been committed on Nov. 14, the verdict of the jury at the trial was not reasonable and it would be unsafe to allow it to stand.

Therefore their Lordships quashed the verdict of the jury and discharged the prisoner.

HOCKEY PLAYER'S WEDDING.

Miss A. G. Orme And Mr. C. J. Waddell.

The wedding took place, yesterday afternoon, at St. John's Cathedral, of Miss Alma Grace Orme, the local hockey player, and Mr. Cecil James Waddell, of the Public Works Department.

The Rev. N. V. Halward, M.C., officiated. The bride wore a princess gown of white charmeuse, and carried a bouquet of Easter lilies.

She was given away by the Rev. Noel Evans, M.A., and was attended by Miss Beatrice M. Bicheno, bridemaid, in a frock of white flowered georgette carrying a bouquet of African daisies.

Mr. Andrew Nicol was matron of honour and the best man was Mr. A. R. Cox.

THREAT TO KILL DETECTIVE

Spaniard's Abuse Of Police.

REMANDED ON CHARGE OF FALSE PRETENCES

Jose Laredo Novarro, described as a Spaniard, made an appearance before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, to answer to charges of obtaining a sum of \$76 by false pretences and using insulting words to Detective Sergeant D. C. W. Fitches, thereby causing a breach of the peace.

The accused who was not represented by counsel, pleaded not guilty.

Detective Sergeant D. C. W. Fitches told his Honour that the accused made up for the third member of a party of three accused, two of which were charged yesterday with obtaining \$76 from Mrs. Landau on March 23, by pretending that the value of an American Trade dollar was \$3.80, whereas it was at the time only worth \$1.

The complainant, Mrs. Landau after accepting twenty of the Trade dollars for \$76 had gone to Jimmy's Kitchen, Wanchai Branch, to change them into local currency, but there had found out that she had been robbed. She notified the police, and as a result of information received, Detective Sergeant Fitches went to No. 140 Canton Road, 2nd floor yesterday where he arrested the accused.

Det. Sgt. Fitches said that after explaining the reason for the accused's arrest, Novarro became very abusive and threatened to kill him.

The accused had also threatened to get several members of the Police force out of their jobs, and abused British justice and its methods. Det. Sgt. Fitches tried to pacify the accused, who, however, kept on with his abuse with the intention of arousing witness's temper.

He was finally taken to Central police Station where charges were preferred against him.

Det. Sgt. Fitches said he had got in touch with the Spanish Consul, who has agreed to send the accused back to Spain if the Court would make a banishment order. He asked for 24 hours remand until the two other accused, Francis Raymond, unemployed of Manila and Edward Shuster, unemployed, of Hong Kong were heard to-morrow.

His Honour granted 24 hours' remand and bail of \$500, the accused to be kept in the House of Detention.

MRS. SOUTHORN AT ART EXHIBITION.

Excellent Display At The Gloucester.

A representative gathering were present at Gloucester Building for the opening by Mrs. W. T. Southorn, this morning, of an art exhibition held by Miss Hilda Trefusis.

Performing the ceremony, Mrs. Southorn said:

"I feel it is a privilege to be asked to open this exhibition of Miss Hilda Trefusis' work. It is the embodiment of her *Odyssey*—embracing many countries and many adventures."

"I have had the advantage of seeing the pictures beforehand and I sat entranced while Miss Trefusis whisked me from Cairo to Jerusalem, from Angkor to Pekhuk, from the South of France to Petra. Glowing colours and mysterious twilights will float before your eyes after you have seen these pictures and then you will enjoy the quietude of her portraits."

"Miss Trefusis is equally happy in her pictures of human beings, dogs, cats and even the little mouse who kept her company on one of her sojourns in the wild. I hope Hong Kong will enjoy to the full the feast of art set before it by Miss Trefusis."

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Grimsdale were passengers for the North by the m. a. Chichibu Maru, which left Hong Kong this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Waddell who were married at St. John's Cathedral yesterday, left on their honeymoon this morning for Japan by the m. a. Chichibu Maru.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Choy Koon Shiu, merchant, of 88a, Bonham Road, Hong Kong, and Cheng Mai Hing, of Kowloon, India, Lot No. 2176, Duke Street, Kowloon.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Leung Shiu, Chung, clerk of Sheung Loo, residing at 22, Mosque Street, Hong Kong, and Wan Shiu Chun of 21, Staunton Street, Hong Kong.

He received injuries to the face and chin, but refused to be taken to hospital.

To-Day's Short Story.

THE BOCCHERINI MINUET

By Cyril Landon.

JOE TURNER beamed bashfully on his opulent-looking employer as she stepped gingerly from her first-class carriage and tapped her way with the help of a stout cane on to the platform. The spick-and-span effect of Joe's Sunday suit was somewhat marred by the unaccustomed bowler hat, a much-too-small celluloid collar, and right hand amateurishly swaddled in a soiled linen bandage. A little cloud seemed to creep over Miss Winter's friendly greeting, as she halted and stared at him.

"What have you been doing to yourself, Turner? What's the matter with that hand of yours?"

"I were down Eynsford way about a week ago, workin' for Farmer Tewson, and stuck a prong in my hand. Doctor says I've got a touch of blood-poisonin'. E says if I don't lay off for a few weeks I might lose the arm."

"Then what am I going to do?" began Miss Winter irritably.

"But I must sit down. Come along."

She limped slowly over to a seat

on the sunbathed platform and arranged her skirts. "Now, Joe, this puts me in a difficulty. What am I going to do for a new man at a moment's notice?"

"That's all right, m'm," explained Joe Turner. "I've spoke to a friend o' mine about it, and 'e's willing to take the job on, same as me. He can start right away. And 'ere 'e is, m'm."

In answer to some private signal a figure detached itself from the shadows near the station exit and approached.

"My friend, Jim Baxter, m'm," Joe murmured.

Miss Winter saw a pleasant-faced man in the early thirties—well set up. He was dressed in a brown suit of good quality and cut, despite its desperate shabbiness.

A pair of strapped rubber tennis shoes adorned his feet. Miss Winter noticed that his tie partly concealed a threadbare blue shirt.

As he smiled, he revealed that nearly all his upper teeth were missing. She noted, with disapproval, that his jaw and upper lip

can come along with me now. As for you, Joe, come down to the boat to-night and I'll settle with you. Bring the bags, Baxter." She rose from the seat, nodded in a friendly fashion to the beaming Joe Turner and tapped her way down the platform, preceded by her new man laden with the baggage.

"Not so fast, young man," expostulated Miss Winter. " Didn't Joe explain to you that I've come down here to take life quietly? One gets all the hurry and bustle one needs in town. For the next two months I'm going to forget I've a groggy foot. Rest, fresh air, and fishing is all I want, and you are going to see that I get it from the moment I board the Mayfly."

Baxter nodded, and, having

swung the luggage into the quaint

vehicle drawn up at the kerb, helped her into her seat.

As they jogged along, Miss Winter began to talk.

"I've never before employed a man with a beard," she announced.

"Do you happen to need a shaving outfit, or are you trying to disguise yourself?"

"Sorry, ma'am," replied Baxter.

"I've just got over a bad attack of rash caused by eating shell-fish.

Left the skin so tender I decided

to let my beard grow for a week

or two until I can stand the razor again. I hope it doesn't make any difference?"

"Not at all," was the genial response. "So long as we know

one way or the other. That's all right. And I see you've had an accident with your teeth?"

"Smashed the denture a little

while back," said Baxter with rising colour.

Before they had reached the

riverbank the new man was fully

prepared to confirm the good im-

pression that Joe had formed about

Miss Winter when she had, as the

new tenant of the Mayfly, come

down some weeks before to arrange

terms with its owner and to en-

gage a man to look after her com-

fort during her stay. Miss Winter

could not hear women about her,

Baxter gathered.

Baxter learned that he was to be

perfectly free every evening after

early dinner until breakfast time

next morning. He would, of

course, sleep ashore, and see that

the gang-plank of the boat was

drawn aboard before he left for

the night in the little dinghy.

He could smoke as much as he

pleased, so long as he smoked his

own cigarettes and not hers, and

did not neglect his duties. By the

time they reached the old stone

bridge that spanned the Que

Baxter felt that he had really and truly dropped on his feet and

found sanctuary. At all events

such was the opinion he expressed

that night in the tap-room of the

Angler's Arms, where he speedily

made himself popular. He learned

in due course that apparently

Miss Winter had no living relative

who cared whether she lived on a

river or died in a ditch. She had

settled down on her delightful

river property to enjoy

the summer until such time as the

approach of autumn should warn

her like the swallow to fly south

ward.

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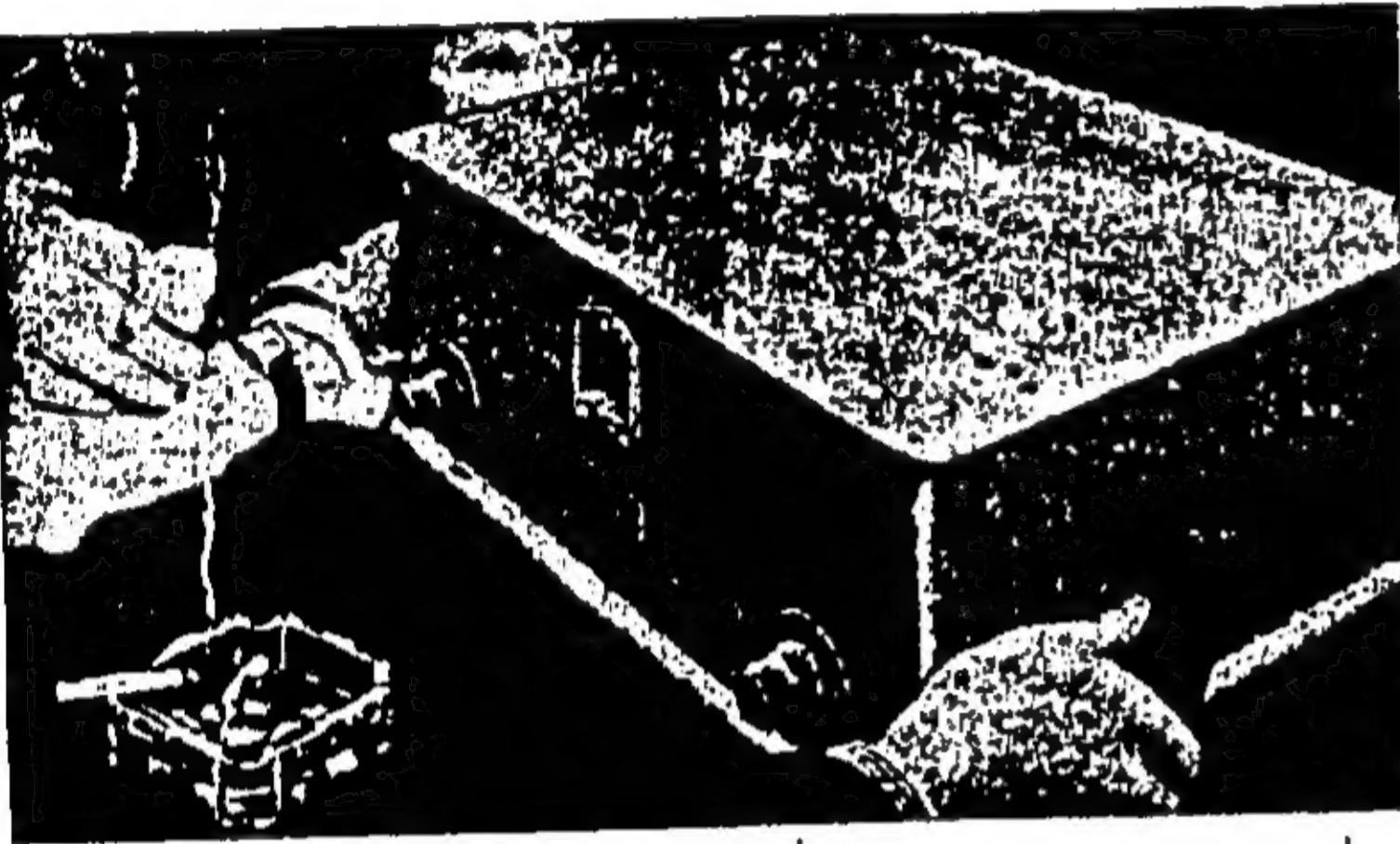
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TENNIS DRAWING SYSTEMS

L.T.A. PROPOSAL TO TRY NEW METHOD

PROBLEM OF BYE GROUPS

THE Bagnall-Wild system of drawing competitors at lawn tennis tournaments, an honoured British invention, has been in vogue throughout the world for many years. Is that system now threatened with change, and, if so, is the proposed new plan a sound alternative? (asks A. Wallis Myers). The Council of the Lawn Tennis Association have recently approved, in principle, a method of drawing, coming from Mr. J. H. King, of Lincoln. They have issued a circular to all associations affiliated to the International Federation, inviting opinions. Should the verdict be favourable the Council propose to introduce legislation authorising the new method to be used at tournaments in Great Britain.



The draw invented by Mr. Bagnall-Wild and now in universal practice had as its basis, when the total of competitors was not a power of two, the grouping of byes at the top and bottom of the list. It superseded the introduction of byes into the body of the draw—an improvisation inimical to equity which was employed in the earliest tournaments. Mr. King's system, which the Lawn Tennis Association have endorsed, seeks to distribute byes throughout every section of the draw.

Hardship Not Overcome.

As chairman of the Laws Committee of the Croquet Association, it falls to the lot of Dr. J. S. Edkins to examine all new schemes of "drawing." He has prepared a report of the Lawn Tennis Association scheme for submission to the Council of his Association. Dr. Edkins proves that the suggested method of the Lawn Tennis Association in no way eliminates the hardship that the author imagines to exist in the Bagnall-Wild draw, and, further, that it would be less conveniently applied to tournaments.

"So much confusion," he says, "has arisen with those unacquainted with the elements of the mathematical treatment of chance and probabilities that I venture to call attention to some of the fallacies involved. The author, having described the new method, takes as an example a draw in which there are 24 competitors. He points out correctly that by the time the semi-final is reached the winners of the top and bottom quarters will have played two rounds, having had two successive matches in which either directly or indirectly they each will have beaten three competitors and come out the best of four.

"Obviously Grotteque."

In the second and third quarters the winners will have played three matches, directly or indirectly, beating seven players and coming out the best of eight. He then makes the extraordinary statement: "The odds, therefore, are seven to three in favour of a player in the top or bottom quarter." Now when odds are declared they must necessarily relate to some future event. The only interpretation that can be placed upon the statement is that it is seven to three in favour of an end-quarter winner winning the semi-final, which is obviously grotesque.

If the position is to be treated mathematically (the competitors being assumed to be of equal merit), then the probability of any particular individual in the end-quarters reaching the semi-final is one-quarter (three to one against), and in the middle one-eighth (seven to one against). But once having arrived there, the odds of an individual in an end-quarter beating his opponent who has come through a middle quarter are even. The end-quarter man has twice as good a chance of reaching the semi-final as is embodied with a farce.

SYMPATHIES FOR MAURICE TATE IN AUSTRALIA.

Test Match Bowling.

London, March 14. Everyone has sympathised with Maurice Tate, who, through no fault of his own, was unable to obtain a place in any of the Test matches against Australia. Had his services been utilised for just one more Test, it is probable that this great hearted bowler would have broken a long-standing record still credited to Hugh Trumble the famous Australian.

During the course of his Test career against England, Trumble delivered 7,889 balls. Tate is the only other player from either country to deliver as many as 7,000, his total being 7,686. He thus required only 204 balls, or 34 overs, to beat the record. Other players who delivered 6,000 are Noble (6,934), Grimmett (6,846), Armstrong (6,783), and George Giffen (6,391), all Australians. Among our players, Sidney Barnes is credited with 5,749, Rhodes 5,660, and Peel 5,216.

VETERAN'S METHODS IN MARATHON

Unusual Demonstration By Japanese.

68-YEAR-OLD RUNNER.

Tokyo, April 1. A 68-year-old marathon runner, Mr. Kan Hibino, gave a demonstration of his system on Thursday afternoon before persons interested in sport, including the Minister of Education, Mr. Ichiro Hatoyama and the Navy Minister, Admiral Mineo Osumi, all of whom were greatly impressed by his peculiar style but excellent results.

The demonstration took place on the ground of the First Prefectural Middle School. Mr. Hibino is a well-known educator and was a class-mate of the late Mr. Yuko Hamaguchi at the Tokyo Imperial University.

Mr. Hibino has developed his style of running by a study of methods over the past 30 years. Explaining "his" methods, Mr. Hibino said that during the past 30 years he has never taken cold. He then emphasized the benefits of marathon running and the importance of the sport in increasing the spiritual and physical vitality of the Japanese nation. He criticized present methods of running, as he declared that they wasted too much energy.

Mr. Hibino then donned an army uniform and demonstrated his system for about an hour. First he ran 1,000 meters without the slightest difficulty, carrying an army knapsack weighing about 30 pounds and army rifle. He ran with his body erect, his heels touching the ground at each step. Mr. Hibino said that ordinary soldiers run bent forward too much.

Mr. Hibino has decided to launch a campaign among young marathon runners to spread his system. He has selected a 10 mile course starting from in front of the Hochi Shimbun and continuing by way of the Meiji Shrine, Yasukuni Shrine, Ueno Park and the Earthquake Memorial Hall in Honjo. The campaign will start at 2 o'clock on the afternoon of April 9 and will continue for several days, all marathon runners being invited to take part with Mr. Hibino.

How Scotland Beat England Before 130,000 Crowd

Hampden Park, Apr. 1.

A RECORD crowd of 130,000 saw Scotland beat England at soccer by two goals to one. England threw away chances in the first half, missing many glaring openings. Hulme was the worst offender and towards the end England were soundly beaten.

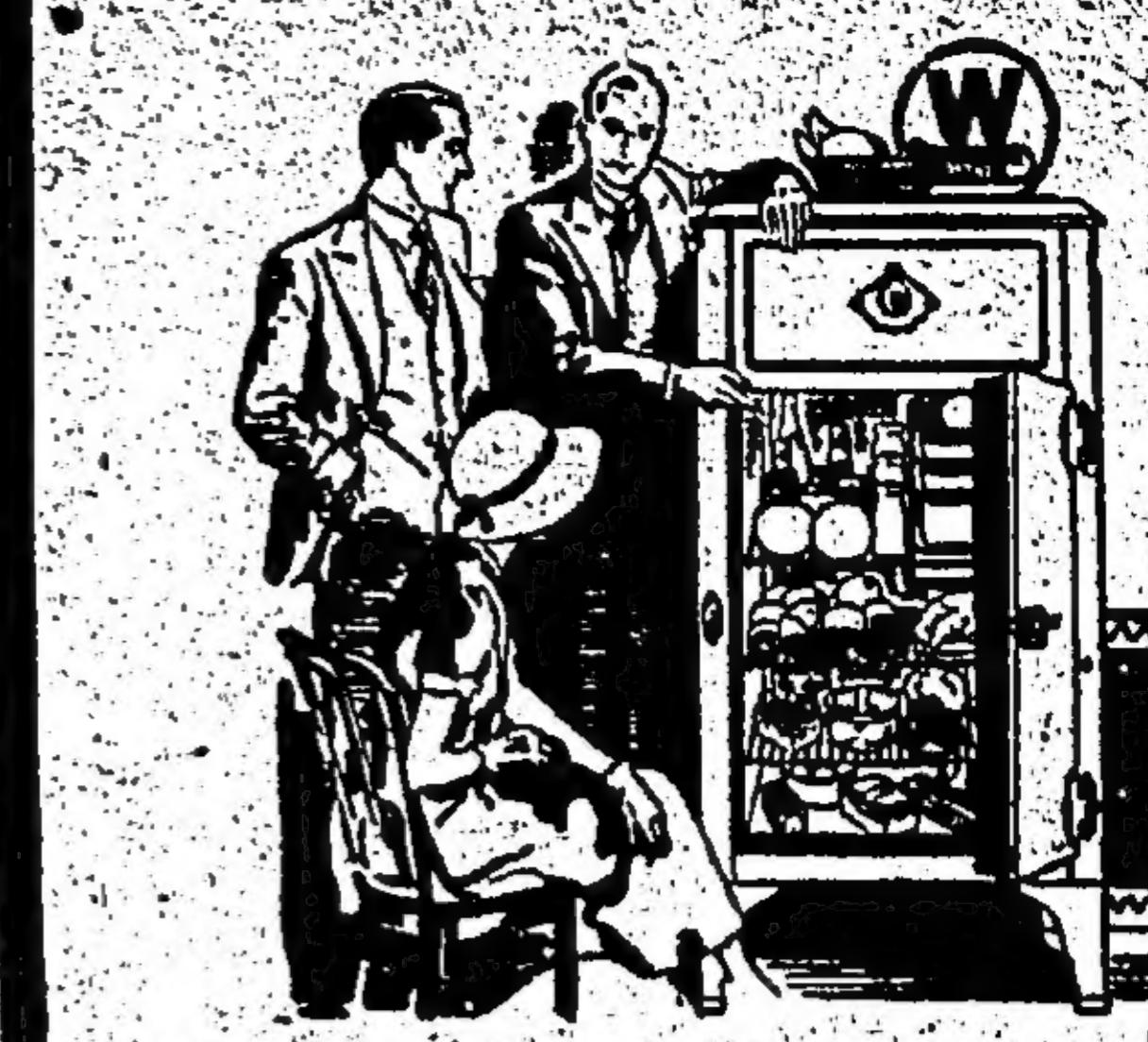
The Scottish defense was sound and Anderson was the best back on the field. Hibbs, the goal keeper, saved England from a heavier defeat, especially in the closing minutes when Scotland might have scored three times more. Hunt was the most dangerous English forward—McGarry and Duncan provided the best wing on the field and McGarry scored a great header and both full backs were more than as good a chance of reaching the semi-final as I expected with a farce.

Scotland maintained pressure after the interval until seven minutes from time when McGarry scored in the fifth minute from a pass from Marshall, easily beating Hibbs. After end to end play during which Hulme was nearly through on two occasions, Hunt equalised in the thirty-second minute from Arnold's centre. Half time arrived with the score unchanged.

Scotland maintained pressure after the interval until seven minutes from time when McGarry obtained possession of the ball swerved between the backs and scored with a great left foot shot just under the bar.

England made great but unavailing efforts to score the equaliser.

The teams remained unchanged except Wilson (Colic) and Marshall (Tanners) replaced McHale and Duncan—Reuter.



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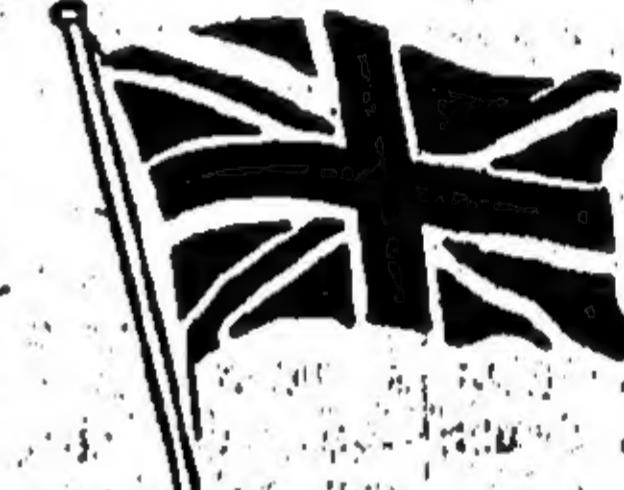
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Sporting Page

UNIVERSITY ATHLETES AT TEA PARTY

Team Leaving Colony To-morrow.

'VARSITY MEET IN CANTON

THE members of the Hong Kong University athletic team who are leaving for Canton to-morrow for the Inter-University sports meeting were guests of the University Union at a tea party in the pavilion at Pokfulam yesterday.

Those who will represent Hong Kong are, Misses H. A. Wood, Kwok Wai-fan, Anna Ho, Kittle Tse and Grace Chan, and Messrs. A. T. Lee (captain), N. Vargassoff (vice-captain), V. Vargassoff, F. R. Zimmern, V. Grunberg, K. C. Tsang, K. Y. Lee, K. J. Chou, Wu Hung-tak, C. Y. Chang, O. I. de Souza, Chang Kai-shui, C. T. Lee, A. C. N. da Silva, V. Osmolovsky and Yeung Yak-wah.

BRITISH LADY GOLFERS SUCCESSFUL

Kathleen Garnham Wins Title.

VICTORY BY 5 AND 4.

St. Augustine, Fla., March 4. Miss Kathleen Garnham of England capped a successful invasion of British women golfers to-day by winning the eighteen-hole final for the Florida East Coast Championship and the Mrs. W. R. Keegan Jr. Cup.

She defeated Miss Frances Williams of Allentown, Pa., 5 and 4, before one of the largest galleries to witness a match on the East Coast this season.

Plucky, persistent playing over nearly an entire week, starting with her capture of the medal, brought to Miss Garnham the first championship ever won by an invading woman contestant on Florida course. Two years ago, at Ormond Beach, she was runner-up for the South Atlantic title.

By her victory, the new champion joins the list of illustrious players who have previously won the Florida East Coast crown, this group being limited to Miss Virginia Van Wie, Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare and Miss Maureen Orcutt over the last nine seasons.

Miss Garnham, who also holds the Essex championship, has represented England in the international matches during the last two years.

Miss Williams, former Eastern champion and recent winner of the South Atlantic laurels for the second year in succession, fell before the tremendous driving of her opponent. She managed to win only one hole.

Tom Walls Maps Out Schedule For April The Fifth

TOM WALLS, owner of last year's Derby winner—April the Fifth—announced his plans with regard to the horse recently.

April the Fifth is not to run before the Coronation Cup, a race over 1½ miles, run at Epsom Derby Meeting. After that he will contest the Ascot Gold Cup (2½ miles) and possibly later on the Jockey Club Cup (2½ miles) at Newmarket.

It is obvious that Mr. Walls considers that April the Fifth is well endowed with stamina, for the Ascot Gold Cup and the Jockey Club Cup are two of the severest tests of stamina to which a horse can be subjected.

Mr. Walls states that his colt has developed greatly since be-

FLAT RACING IN ENGLAND

PROMISE OF ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR

London, Mar. 22. DESPITE counter attractions I think that the public interest in flat racing is as great as ever and there is no reason why the season which begins this week should not be completely successful. For breeders of bloodstock it has been preceded agreeably enough by the judgment delivered by the House of Lords last week regarding the taxation of stud farms. Any profits earned by stallions will no longer be assessed separately from the profits or losses of the stud farms at which they stand. The ruling affects the breeding industry as a whole and may be responsible in some cases for a reduction of stallion fees. Lord Glanely, Lord Woolavington and other members of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association who were concerned in this action are to be congratulated on the fruition of their efforts. It has been a prolonged legal struggle, but Lord Glanely and his friend had a strong legal case, and its successful issue should give a fillip to bloodstock breeding in this country. For one thing it will probably mean that high-class sires of the type of Pharos and Blenheim will not in future be sent out of England. The opening of the season finds all the leading stables well filled. Although the number of horses in training is fewer than was the case two or three years ago, the sport has held its own remarkably well through the days of economic depression, and it is hoped that the worst time are past. Optimism is warranted by the improvement of prices at the Doncaster and Newmarket sales last year, and a glance at the entries for races which have lately closed is sufficient to indicate that interest is being fully maintained. The first two days at Lincoln will be quiet as usual, but the big race on Wednesday will produce a strong field and bids fair to be even more successful than usual. Apart from one or two stoppages trainers have experienced favourable conditions, and horses for the most part are quite as forward in condition as one could expect them to be at this early stage. The season should have started on Monday but was washed out on this day. This has never occurred before.

Hurdle Racing is of course ending and while the Grand National is as much a "Draw" as ever, none of the horses except Golden Miller and Gregalach are much known to the general public.

Conditions were favourable for the second stage of the Grand Military Meeting at Sandown Park on Saturday, and the crowd appeared to be twice as large as on the first day. An American triumph was achieved in the

LEAGUE SOCCER

Two Encounters Down For Decision.

THE Hong Kong Football Association notifies that the following League matches will be played to-day:

Division I—Hong Kong Club v. Police Club, ground at 5 p.m.
Signals v. III—Royal Corps of Signals v. R.A.F., Chatham Road, at 4.30 p.m.

As notified in

The China Mail

Yesterday a Special RACING SUPPLEMENT will be published in

To-morrow's Issue.

Additional Features include HOME & AWAY FOOTBALL TABLES & FORECAST.

Colony Interport Cricket XI

S.C.A.A. SWEEPSTAKE DISPUTE IN FINAL STAGES

Committee Reserve Decision

THE Executive Committee of the South China Athletic Association decided to reserve their decision at yesterday's final hearing of the dispute in connection with the second prize of \$30,000 in the S.C.A.A. sweepstake on last year's Hong Kong Derby.

BOXING AT THE ALBERT HALL.

Stribling Hurt, Gains To Deputy.

London, Apr. 6. IT was announced to-day that owing to an injured knee, Young Stribling would be unable to fight McCorkindale to-night at the Albert Hall as had been arranged.

In order that boxing enthusiasts shall not be entirely disappointed it has been decided that Larry Gains shall deputy for Stribling at a postponement till April 13.

This will be the third meeting between Larry Gains and McCorkindale. Their first fight was declared a draw. The second contest was also closely fought and went the full number of rounds, Gains being given the decision on points.—Reuter.

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New York, April 5. With but one week to go before the regular major league playing season starts, the American League boasted a six-game margin to-day over National loop teams in fifty exhibition games thus far played. A score of games remain before the 16th club begins their annual race for the pennants. Thus far the American Leaguers have 28 victories and the senior loop representatives but 22.

Oddly, last year's tallenders in both circuits have among the best records in the exhibition series. The Boston Red Sox, sharing honours with the world champion New York Yankees and the Detroit Tigers in the American league, while the lowly Cincinnati Reds have showed up well thus far along with the Pittsburgh Pirates, in the older circuit.—Associated Press.

London Rowing Club Victorious.

Gain Head Of River Title.

At Mortlake the Eighth Annual Head of the River race was held over the University Course, but in the reverse direction.

130 competitors took part and the London Rowing Club's first boat, the holders since the inauguration of the race, retained the championship, their time being 19 mins. 54 secs. Pembroke College, Cambridge, first boat was second in 20 mins. 3 secs., and the Thames Rowing Club first boat third in 20 mins. 9 secs.

Quickaway Becomes Winner Of Stakes in Mexico

Aguas Calientes, Mex., March 21.

A THOUSAND dollar plater eight months ago, Quickaway, with six straight sprint victories to his credit in the running here, has become a stake horse.

Quickaway is a four-year-old gelding by Whiskaway out of Watch Your Stitch, a Star Shoot mare. His sudden improvement at the Aguas Calientes Jockey Club track has confounded experts.

Quickaway spent his early two-year-old days in New York, where he failed to impress. At three he won cheap races at Latonia and Dadd Park. J. P. Headley bought him, brought him west and lost money on him. He won four races in 13 starts last year.

Keep Claimers Away. A report that the chestnut gelding was suffering from chronic abscesses between the shoulder joints

GOSSIP IN SPORTS WORLD

Grand National Fees: Larwood Puts on Weight: Japanese Rugby: Arsenal Captain Leaves: Cotton's Reply.

BY ROVER

Grand National.

RIDING in the Grand National has its thrills, even for those who lose. It has also its strictly business side, which we who gasp and cheer may not entirely realize.

There is not much more than a thrill in it for some of them. I gather from a colleague that some owners are not all keen to pay what the jockeys consider a satisfactory retaining fee for the Grand National. The jockeys all take much the same view. It is that this is their one chance of earning anything like a decent sum, and in view of the value of the prize they think that wherever a horse with a chance is concerned they are entitled to a special figure for their services.

The jockey on the winner, of course, receives a nice present. The trainers more or less expect to get 10 per cent of the stake money. Jockeys are left to make their own arrangements.

What They Expect.

THE average rider looks for something like £200 when the mount is definitely fixed up and more in the event of victory. It is a matter of business. The jockeys do not think they are extorting in their demands.

Some owners may promise a present if successful but not otherwise. My sympathies are with the jockeys. They have a hard life. Only the leading dozen or so can make a good living. The others are always more or less scratching for an existence. Some of them think there are too many amateurs. I know the National Hunt Committee are keeping an eye on this subject. The amateurs I would like to see encouraged are those who ride their own horses.

Larwood's Two Stone.

I AM surprised, as well as interested, to learn that Larwood has actually gained two stone as a result of his Australian tour.

This is very different from the usual effect of Australian wickets and the Australian climate on English fast bowlers, and it should dispose once and for all of any doubts of Larwood's stamina. Indeed, now that he has got rid of that sideways strain on the knee which used to mar his action just at the moment of delivery, he must be one of the toughest bowlers we have.

We may say, too, that with his increased weight he ends the tour still in the body line.

A Curious Goal.

HERE is something for the football lawyers to argue about. In the Sixth Round English Schools' Shield match between West Ham and Lowestoft Boys at Upton Park the height of the goal was reduced by placing another crossbar a foot beneath the usual one. The winning and only goal of the game was scored when a shot from a West Ham boy struck the top of the lower bar and rebounded

from the higher bar into play for another boy to kick the ball through. Had not the top bar been in position the ball undoubtedly would have bounced over from the first shot. The referee had no hesitation in awarding a goal. As the ball did not go out of play and the conditions were equal, for both sides I should say that it was a common-sense decision.

Austrians Abroad.

I AM surprised to learn in a note from a Vienna correspondent that Austrian football teams abroad played during last year 301 matches—among them a few in England—and won 208 and lost only 51 of them.

There is no end to these Continental played challenges. St. Johnstone, the Scottish First League team, played a match with one of the leading Hungarian teams in Perth on April 1. The Hungarians, I gather, are very keen to prove to the football people of Britain that they are better players than the Austrians. That will not be easy.

A Tribute To Parker.

THE appointment of Parker, the Arsenal F. C. full-back, as manager of Norwich City F. C., is a considerable tribute to a model footballer, for I know that two or three men with experience as managers of well-known clubs were on the short list of candidates considered by the Norwich directors.

Parker is a man with a charming personality, quiet, self-possessed, and with the rare quality of ruling by the strength of his character rather than by "mailed fist" methods. The Norwich management is regarded as one of the "plums" of the administrative side of the game. There are regular good-sized crowds on the curious little ground, and the team have always aimed at stylish rather than robust football.

Carnera Loses.

MISS Emilia Tersini, aged 22, a Soho waitress, has been awarded £4,200 damages against Carnera, the Italian boxer, for breach of promise of marriage. Carnera was not represented.—Reuter.

Tate's Career.

TATE'S useful innings at Melbourne was a reminder that he was a dangerous batsman before ever he was a good bowler. He was played first in the Sussex team as a No. 1 batsman, and if he never had an academic style to command him, a good eye, a stout heart, and a natural shrewdness selecting the ball to be scored off stood him in excellent stead. In short, he was a typical Sussex player of the A. E. R. Gilligan period.

In 1922 Tate took more than 100 wickets and made more than 1,000 runs for the first time. By reaching "the double" in each of the next seven seasons he accomplished a sequence which only Hirst has ever improved upon. Tate probably reached his best as a bowler in 1925, when he took 222 wickets, but his physique has enabled him to stand up to the hardest work so well that he still is, on his day, a match-winning cricketer. As a bowler he is not so dangerous to the best players now because he does not seem able to make the ball run away in the way that caused "e. Strudwick, b. Tate" to be such a common mode of dismissal in Test matches.

Rugby in Japan.

I REFERRED recently to the growth of "Rugby" in Japan, quoting as my authority the "Japan Chronicle." Now another copy of that journal, which includes further proof of the game's advance in the East, has reached me.

Waseda, the Japanese University champion this year, have just returned from a tour in Shanghai, where they played three matches against representative sides and won them all.

The Shanghai Club, comparable to a good club side in England, were only narrowly beaten, but the U.S. Marines team, who always play Rugby in China, were defeated 24-0, and All-Shanghai, the pick of the English and American clubs and Service players, lost 28-8.

Improving Gates.

JAPAN made a successful tour in Canada two years ago. Now they feel that they must go further afield if their progress is to be continued. The prospects of a visit to, or from, a powerful Rugby nation is limited apparently only by financial considerations. But here, again, Japan is going ahead. Public interest is increasing, and more and more people are prepared to pay to see the game.

Shall we yet see Japan at Twickenham?

Substitutes in Rugby.

THE Rugby Union, according to a report from Wellington, N. Z., have approved the request by the New Zealand R. U. that they be permitted to continue the practice of allowing substitutes for injured players.

The decision is typical of the policy of the ruling body, who assume

an autocratic attitude only when an affiliated union proposes a variation of the laws which it is considered would contravene the spirit of the game. In this country, the basis of the game being friendly matches, the question of substitutes hardly arises: In New Zealand, where the majority of the football is played in the form of competitions, substitution acts as an effective antidote to any temptation towards foul play.

The decision has yet to be ratified by the International Board; but they, again, are unlikely to step in where the Rugby Union have deemed it unwise to tread.

Postcard Reply.
HENRY Cotton, who recently from a Vienna correspondent that Austrian football teams abroad played during last year 301 matches—among them a few in England—and won 208 and lost only 51 of them.

Cotton sent a postcard with the words, "Sorry, regret unable to play." There were 70 acceptances, but none from abroad.

The competition is by strokes over 36 holes. Sixteen leaders complete the tournament under match-play conditions.

The Harrow Arrow.
IT was specially ordained by Mr. John Lyon, the founder of Harrow School, in 1572, that parents should allow their children, in addition to paper and pens, "bowstrings, bowstrings and a bracer to exercise shooting," and the annual archery contests stated soon after that date continued until 1769, when shooting for the Silver Arrow was abandoned because it brought to Harrow "a band of profligate and disorderly persons from the Metropolis." It has remained in abeyance since then, but arrangements were made for Silver Arrow Golf contest by Major Prout, secretary of the Northwick Park Golf Club, Harrow. This took place on Saturday, April 1, when Abe Mitchell, Arthur Havers, Percy Alliss and Charles Whitcombe will compete.

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The churches have risen to the occasion. The well-known leader of Zionism, Rabbi Wise, reminded his congregation that personal cheques would be acceptable for the collection, while the Rev. Everett Wagner, of the Union Methodist Church, went even farther, for he refused to take a collection and told his congregation to "Take your money home and use it to buy food."

A friend of mine preferred to give cash to his bootlegger, to whom he owed fifteen dollars for three bottles of alleged Scotch. He paid in nickles and dimes, having raided the baby's savings bank. Useless 100 Dollars

I know one far-sighted soul who got wind of a probable moratorium on Friday night and telegraphed home for money. He got a 100-dollar order on Saturday morning before the telegraph companies had adopted the 25 per cent. only cash basis on such orders. The company wanted him to take a cheque. He refused. Argument ensued, which ended when the company, to even matters, gave him a 100-dollar bill, and he was compelled to walk three miles to his home.

He could not buy a sandwich, he could not buy a newspaper, he could not buy anything. His friends were unable to change the bill. Storekeepers laughed and refused. He became nearly frantic on Saturday with money to spend and unable to spend it, and spent hours debating with himself whether he should blow the lot in one grand bust."

One lorry-driver was sent to deliver some barrels of goods to a produce merchant, and to collect at the same time 4 dollars 32 cents in cash. The merchant said, "I haven't the money. Take the barrels back."

The driver, thinking he might not be paid on the next pay-day, pointed to a crate containing a turkey, and asked, "How much is that turkey worth?"

The merchant: "Four dollars 18 cents."

Driver: "All right. I'll take the bird and the extra in change."

The merchant agreed. The driver returned to his employer and told him of the transaction, adding: "I'll take the turkey home and you take it off my next pay."

"No you don't," said the employer. "I'll take the turkey myself."

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The Boccherini Minuet

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Baxter, during a visit to the Angler's Arms, reported that his employer was "one of the best"—smoked all day long, and employed most of his leisure with sensational fiction and fishing. In a little while she merged into the even tenor of life of the riverside town.

"Some whistler—our shady friend," observed Wilkins of the C.I.D., seated, in company with Inspector Jameson, in the library of Sir George Filidby's house at Carlton-terrace.

Inspector Jameson's sensitive fingers twirled the zinc plate that had just removed from the gramophone, then replaced it on the table, where half a dozen similar discs lay beside a handsome walnut wireless-and-gramophone cabinet.

He looked up as his subordinate added: "What's your opinion of these home-made records, Jameson?"

"Typical of the man," was the reply. "Our absent friend had that outstanding weakness, which even the greatest among us share—vanity. Sir George Filidby had it in a marked degree. I suppose it must have been in his mental make-up, second only to that greed for more and still more wealth and power which has brought about his spectacular downfall and turned him into a fugitive from justice."

"... And resulted in our sitting in this gorgeous library, hunting for light on his present whereabouts," observed Wilkins.

"... All these records we have just played," said the first speaker, tapping the discs thoughtfully, "bear out what I say. Each in its own way expresses Sir George's beastly sin—vanity. Before opening a bazaar, or replying to a toast, or giving an exhibition of his unusual powers as an entertainer in his particular smart set, he rehearsed, carefully and precisely, what he meant to perform. As you have heard, his stuff is full of well-rounded, well-chosen but rather florid phrases, so much overdone in my judgment that they form veritable bouquets rather than flowers of speech."

"What did you think of the last record—that Boccherini thing?" interrupted Wilkins, a little impatiently. "I never heard anyone disappoint me like that, even on the teeman who had been held up while stage."

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For a few moments after the hauntingly beautiful melody had ceased the men from Scotland Yard were silent. Then Jameson said:

"Did you notice the exaggerated trick with which Sir George begins the minuet, and, again, a few bars later, repeats the fault? That's what I mean. If you were as familiar with this piece of music as I am (and heaven knows I should know it well enough), my small daughter having had a crush on it at one period of her musical career, you'd realize I must have heard that infernal opening hundreds of times. If you notice, Filidby opens with a veritable cascade of grace-notes—in the actual piece, as Boccherini wrote it, there are but two. Listen..."

Again Jameson adjusted the needle, and the error became evident.

"As I said before—typical of him," observed the C.I.D. man rising from the table. "Couldn't let the melody reveal its own original beauty—tried even to outdo the composer himself. But let's get to work again. I've seldom been on a case which seemed so hopeless. The man couldn't have vanished more completely if he had jumped into the Atlantic. That he hasn't left these shores seems a pretty good guess. And from what we know of Sir George's temperament he certainly wouldn't commit suicide. Too fond of the good things of life ever to leave them, or his own people, and there's something like sixty thousand pounds with him wherever he is. He took all he could lay hands on, of course, including Wilkins' money box.

Wilkins was remembering

ROOSEVELT SHOULDER'S DEBT PROBLEM.

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The return of Great Britain to the gold standard is regarded both by the late and the present Administrations as essential to a debt settlement.

Both Mr. Hoover and Mr. Roosevelt are agreed that unless stabilisation of currencies is obtained, either in the debt negotiations or by an understanding with Great Britain that this will be done at the World Conference, it will be imperative for America to increase her tariffs against countries with depreciated currencies.

Recent discussions in Congress on this subject show the importance which is attached to it, and unless Great Britain can give satisfaction upon it in the coming conversations the delegates may as well stay at home.

Money Talks

It has been suggested that a settlement, at the same time, of the debt and currency questions might be reached by promoting a loan in the United States, which should be used in part for the liquidation of the debt, and in part to increase the gold reserves of the Bank of England, so that Great Britain can re-establish the gold standard with some assurance that it can be maintained.

The success of a big loan in the United States at present is very improbable.

It may be possible to meet America's demand for currency stabilisation halfway at present by pegging the exchange rate of sterling; for it is the instability of the exchanges as much as their depreciation which is upsetting trade.

Until the pound is established there is no possibility of establishing the confidence on which trade recovery depends.

The monetary question will dominate the conversations at Washington. If some decision could be reached upon it would be a great contribution to the problem of world recovery.

Agreement between the United States and Great Britain beforehand would assure the success of the World Economic Conference.

Life was proving difficult for Inspectors Jameson and Wilkins. A hurry call to Hull to arrest Sir George Filidby yielded one more

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As they passed through Peterborough, Jameson, driving the fast car allotted to their service, became reminiscent. "I used to know this Country pretty well when I was a youngster," he said, "and I still think it wants a lot of beating for anyone fond of fishing and hunting."

It was late in the evening as they approached St. Asaph's. The car came up the incline of the quaint, centuries-old bridge, and Jameson brought it to a noiseless standstill.

"We'll stop here for a breather," he announced. "Some of the happiest years of my life were spent here."

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REPORTEDRailwayman Bitten
By Dog.

The first case of hydrophobia for a number of years, is reported from Shatin yesterday, where Lee Chan, a ganger of the Kowloon and Canton Railway, staying at No. 5 Ganger's hut, was found to be in a serious condition.

The medical authorities experienced some difficulty in finding out which of three dogs had bitten the victim, and it was finally decided to send the three animals to Mataukok for observation.

Two other cases yesterday were recorded in which Chinese were also the victims.

Chan Ming, male, was taken to the Government Hospital.

A woman, Lau Chi-pik, was conveyed to the Kowloon Hospital as the result of being bitten by a chow dog, owned by Yee Lee, Contractors of Mataukok.

BANISHEE GAOLED

Ho Chin, 52, who was banished from the Colony for five years on May 20, 1932, was this morning sentenced to 4 months' hard labour for returning from banishment, by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistrate's Court.

"Roses may be planted any time up to the end of March. The one sole of the foot.

thing to avoid is planting when the earth is cold.

"Before planting the ground and standards so as to leave only two eyes. Climbers and ramblers should be cut back one-half."

"The trees should not be set too

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There are hundreds of firms now engaged in producing roses, though in the early years of this century there were only four or five.

And here, for the benefit of amateur gardeners, are a few hints from the secretary of the National Rose Society:

"Roses may be planted any time up to the end of March. The one sole of the foot.

"When pruning at the end of March, cut back the shoots of dwarfs

should be deeply trenched and pre-

pared.

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Notable Passengers On
Conte Rosso.

Several notabilities are due to arrive in Hong Kong on board the Lloyd Trieste liner, Conte Rosso, which will berth at Kowloon at 7 a.m. to-morrow.

Among the distinguished passengers she is carrying are—

Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang and party.

The Italian Minister to China,

Count Ciano, and Countess Ciano,

who is Mussolini's daughter.

The Belgian Consul-General at

Shanghai, Mr. Graeffe, and Mrs.

Graeffe.

The Norwegian Consul General

at Shanghai, Mr. Aal.

Several distinguished passengers will join the vessel at Hong Kong, including the Count and Countess Churruca, who have arrived here from Manila, and Mr. G. A. da Rosa, Portuguese Vice-Consul in Hong Kong, accompanied by Mrs. Rosa and family.

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